



H1N1 nasal-spray vaccine

Important Safety and Eligibility Information

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Who may be eligible for H1N1 nasal-spray vaccine?

Nasal-spray flu vaccine, sometimes called LAIV for “live attenuated influenza vaccine,” is made with live, weakened flu viruses that do not cause the flu. It is approved for the prevention of certain types of influenza disease in children, adolescents, and adults 2-49 years of age. Nasal-spray vaccine may not protect everyone who gets it. Nasal-spray vaccine is for intranasal administration only.

Who may not be able to get H1N1 nasal-spray vaccine?

Nasal-spray vaccine is not right for everyone.

Nasal-spray vaccine must not be given to:

- People with history of hypersensitivity to eggs, egg proteins, gentamicin, gelatin, or arginine
- People with life-threatening reactions to previous influenza vaccinations
- Children and adolescents receiving aspirin or aspirin-containing therapy
- Children less than 24 months of age are not eligible for nasal-spray vaccine

The following people may not be able to get nasal-spray vaccine or may be able to get it only in certain situations:

- People with asthma or active wheezing, or children less than 5 years of age with recurrent wheezing
- People with a history of Guillain-Barré syndrome
- People with a weakened immune system
- People with long-term medical conditions including heart disease, kidney disease, and metabolic diseases, such as diabetes
- Pregnant women